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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

The charge for notifying a Domestic Occurrence is One Rupee.

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

MACFARLANE—April 16th, a. breech Cendy, the wife of John Macfarlane, Esq., Bruzer, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

JEFFERIES—STRINGER—April 16th, at the Established Kirk, by the Rev. Duncan Macpherson, Thomas William Browne Jefferies, formerly a Merchant of this city, elder son of the late Thomas Jefferies, Esq., Merchant, and Consular Agent to His Excellency the late Sharm ool Kanhal, Governor General of Goa, and to the Government of Goa, and Portuguese States in India, and Agent to the Government of the Mauritius, Bombay, to Mary Elizabeth, relict of Sir George Stringer, of Madras, and only daughter of the late Captain William Frederick Nixon, of the Nair Brigade.—No Cards.

DEATH.

STRIP—April 14th, at Camp, Ahmedabad, John Strip, aged 67 years, deeply regretted by a large circle of relatives and friends.

SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under mail contract with Government, despatch a Steamer twice a month from Bombay to the Persian Gulf, touching at Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Lingi, Bunaire, and Bussorah on the following dates :—

Leave Bombay	3rd & 17th	Leave Bussorah	19th & 2nd
„ Muscat.....	8th	„ Bushire.....	25th „ 9th
„ B. Abbas	11th	„ Lingi.....	28th „ 12th
„ Lingi	13th	„ B. Abbas	29th „ 13th
„ Bunder...	15th	„ Muscat.....	31st „ 15th
Arrive Bussorah	17th	Arrive Bombay	2nd „ 18th

The Steam Ship "MARTABAN," 650 tons, 150 H. P., Commander J. Avery, will be despatched as above on 17th April.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo at Kurrachee by the first available Steamer bound from Sukkur, Mooltan, Lahore and Umritsar, with the Oriental Inland Steam Company's Steamers.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers twice a month from Bombay to the Persian Gulf, touching at Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Lingi, Bunaire, and Bussorah on the following dates :—

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The Steam Ship "COMORIN," 453 tons, 80 H. P. Commander R. Taunton will be despatched as above twelve hours after the arrival of the next Overland Mail.

N. B.—When the English Mail arrives between 6 P. M. and 6 A. M., the Kurrachee Steamer sails punctually twelve hours after, but when it arrives between 6 A. M. and 6 P. M. it is despatched at 7 the following morning; this is to avoid Passengers embarking at night. When the sailing time falls upon a Sunday, the Steamer is despatched at 7 A. M. on the Monday morning.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

(Interchanging by the Steamer of the First, Passengers and Cargo at Galle to and from Singapore, Saigon, Batavia, Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokoma.)

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above twice a month, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, on the following dates :—

Leave Bombay	1 & 15	Leave Calcutta	1 & 15
„ Honawar	2 16	„ Bimlipatam	4 18
„ Mangalore	3 17	„ Vizagapatam	4 18
„ Cannanore	4 18	„ Cocanada.....	5 19
„ Calicut	5 19	„ Madras.....	7 23
„ Cochin	5 19	„ Negapatam	10 24
„ Tuticorin	7 —	„ Galle.....	13 —
„ Colombo	10 —	„ Colombo	— —
„ Galle	7 —	„ Tuticorin.....	— —
„ Negapatam	7 24	„ Cochin.....	15 —
„ Madras	13 27	„ Calicut	16 30
„ Cocanada	15 29	„ Cannanore	17 1
„ Vizagapatam	16 30	„ Mangalore	18 1
„ Bimlipatam	16 30	„ Carwar.....	18 2
Arrive Calcutta	19 3	Arrive Bombay	22 5

The Steam Ship "CORINGA," 384 tons, 150 H. P., Commander S. Turner, will be despatched as above, at noon on 1st May.

The Steamers leaving Calcutta and Bombay on the 15th of the month, call at Tuticorin and Colombo, and the Steamer of the 1st at Galle, as above, interchanging Passengers and Cargo with the French Company's Steamers.

This route is the most expeditious and economical for passengers for the Neilgherry district, Bangalore and Madras, who can land at Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

Passengers for Rangoon, Akyab, or Moulmein can proceed by the Steamer of the 15th, and transship to the Rangoon Mail steamer which leaves Madras on the 3rd.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM FERRIES (under contract with Government).—The FERRY BOATS of the Bombay Coast and River Steam Navigation Company (Limited) will ply across the Harbour daily, stopping at undermentioned Bunders :"

Departure from Carnac Bunder to	Oorun.	Oolwa.	Mandwa.	Karanja.	Dhuruntur.
				FARES.	
	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.
First Class ...	0 8	0 8	0 8	0 6	0 6
Second Class ...	0 8	0 12	0 8	0 8	0 12
Third Class ...	0 4	0 6	0 4	0 4	0 6

The Steam Ferry Boats will on and after the 18th January run as follows until further notice :—

From Carnac Bunder, the Dhurruntur Ferry will leave every morning at 8 A. M., and the Oolwa Ferry at 9 A. M.

From Dhurruntur and Oolwa every afternoon at 1 P. M.

First Class Season Tickets available for either Ferry for a period of Six months are issued at Rs. 50.

J. A. SHEPHERD, Manager.

Apollo Street, Bombay, 26th October 1866.

N. B.—Passengers' Tickets can be obtained at the "Chowk" in Carnac Bunder.

BOMBAY COAST AND RIVER STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (LIMITED).

THE Bombay Coast and River Steam Navigation Company (Limited) will, until further notice, despatch Steamers ONCE A WEEK to and from the MALABAR COAST calling at the intermediate Ports, on the following days :—

Down Steamers.		Up Steamers.	
Bombay .....Dep.	Saturday.	Cochin.....Dep.	Saturday.
Mangalore.. „	Sunday.	Beypore ..... „	Sunday.
Tingoli..... „	Sunday.	Calicut ..... „	Sunday.
Goa..... „	Monday.	Tellicherry... „	Monday.
Carwar ..... „	Monday.	Cannanore ... „	Monday.
Compta ..... „	Monday.	Mangalore ... „	Tuesday.
Mangalore .. „	Tuesday.	Compta ..... „	Wednesday.
Cannanore .. „	Wednesday.	Carwar ..... „	Wednesday.
Tellicherry . „	Wednesday.	Goa ..... „	Wednesday.
Calicut ..... „	Wednesday.	Vingoria ..... „	Thursday.
Beypore ..... „	Wednesday.	Ratnagherry .. „	Thursday.
Cochin ....Arr.	Thursday.	Bombay .....Arr.	Friday.

The Steamer "SIR JOHN LAWRENCE," will be despatched according to the above table on SATURDAY, the 20th instant.

J. A. SHEPHERD, Manager.

Apollo Street, 1st January 1867.

EXTRA STEAMER TO SUEZ.

THE Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company's Steam Ship "DELHI," (1,808 Tons and 400 H. P.) Captain MATHEWS, will be despatched for Aden and Suez on SATURDAY the 20th April at 8-30 A. M., from Mazagon, carrying Mails and Passengers for England.

Last Shipping day, Wednesday, the 17th instant through Bills of Lading will be granted for Cotton to Liverpool.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

P. and O. S. N. Company's Office, Bombay, 15th April, 1867.

N. B.—Parcels will not be received at this Office after 5 P. M. on the 17th.

Shippers of Cargo on the Company's Black Bills of Lading are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of these Bills of Lading with reference to the transhipment and forwarding of Cargo, with a view to the acquaintence of their Insurance Policies in respect of the same.

It is requested that all heavy Baggage be sent to the Company's Dock-yard at Mazagon before 3 P. M. on Thursday, 18th, in order that it may be weighed and labelled before being sent on board.

It is necessary that a Custom House Pass should accompany all baggage so forwarded.

A large Boat will be provided for the conveyance of Passengers to the Steamer and will leave the Mazagon Bunder at 8 A. M. precisely on Saturday morning.

FOR LONDON.

(Under engagement to H. M.'s Government) to sail about 30th inst.

THE favourite Passenger Ship "EDWIN FOX," 700 Tons Register, A. S. MOLTSON, Commander.

This Vessel has excellent accommodation for a few First Class Passengers.

For further particulars apply to W. NICOL & Co.

Bombay, 13th April 1867. Agents of Ship Edwin Fox.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

(To sail about 20th April.)

THE new clipper ship "DILHARREE," 1,295 tons register. A-1 14 years at Lloyds, JAMES SANDAYS-S, Commander.

This fine vessel has very superior accommodation for Passengers, and will be despatched as above.

For Freight and Passage, apply to W. NICOL & Co.,

Agent, of ship Dilharree.

Bombay, 16th March, 1867.

THE Iron Ship Company's (Limited) new and first class Ship "HYDRABAD" 1,520 Tons Register, has superior accommodation for 1st Class Passengers, to sail positively first week in May, direct for Liverpool.

For Passage apply to the undersigned or Captain on board

J. A. SHEPHERD.

Sassoon Buildings, No 7 Apollo Street, Bombay, 11th April 1867.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Ship "MERWANJEE FRAMJEE, from Liverpool, are requested to send off Boats at once to take Delivery of their respective Goods, failing which, all Packages, as they are ready, will be landed by the Captain at the risk and expense of the Concerned. Captain Charles Pike will not be responsible for the condition of any Package after it leaves the Ship's Deck.

LYON, BROTHERS & Co.,

Agents for the Captain and Owners of the Merwanjee Framjee.

Bombay, 11th April, 1867.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Ship "CESTRIAN," Captain McGARRY, arrived from Calcutta, are requested to despatch Boats at once to take delivery, otherwise the same will be landed by the Captain at the expense and risk of those concerned.

VOLKART BROTHERS,

Agents for Captain and Owners Ship Cestrian.

Bombay, 13th April, 1867.

PUNCH IN INDIA, No. V., for April—CONTRIBUTORS for the next number are requested to forward their MSS. at once.

PUNCH IN INDIA can be obtained *in Bombay*—At Messrs. THACKER, VINING & Co., Rampart Row, and Messrs. CHESSON & WOODHALL, No. 10, Hummum Street.

In Poona—At Messrs. ROGERS & Co., 23, Civil Lines.

In London—At Mr. G. STREET, 30, Cornhill.

THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE FOR THE CITY OF BOMBAY.—I hereby give NOTICE that an ADJOURNED MEETING of the JUSTICES OF THE PEACE FOR THE CITY OF BOMBAY will be held in the Town Hall on WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of April instant, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon precisely, to consider the proposed Drainage scheme for Bombay.

C. E. STANGER LEATHES,

Clerk to the Justices of the Peace for the City of Bombay.

Bombay, Town Hall, 9th April, 1867.

NO. 2 MANILLA CIGARS and CHEROOTS of last Season's crop, for sale at the Godowns of the undersigned. Rs. 45 per thousand.

FINLAY, CLARK & Co.

Bombay, 30th March, 1867.

ARCHBISHOP STEINS' MEMORIAL FUND.—It is proposed, if the subscriptions admit of it, to present to ARCHBISHOP STEINS, a personal testimonial, and to commemorate his name by laying the foundation of the proposed Catholic College on the Esplanade, which is to be called "ARCHBISHOP STEINS' COLLEGE."

Gentlemen intending to subscribe are requested to be good enough to pay their subscriptions into the Oriental Bank, to the credit of Dr. R. A. DALLAS and J. P. GREEN, Esq.

COMMERCIAL BANK CORPORATION OF INDIA & THE EAST (IN LIQUIDATION).—NOTICE is hereby given that the first DIVIDEND of ten Shillings per pound will be paid at the Office of the undersigned in Rampart Row, on and after the eighth day of April current, at the rate of two Shillings per Rupee, to Local Depositors in the Bombay Branch, whose Claims have been admitted by the Official Liquidator in London. CREDITORS must attend personally, or by regularly constituted Attorney, to receive their Dividends.

A. J. HUNTER,
J. BEATTIE,

Official Liquidators of Bombay Branch and Attorneys for W. H Holyland, Official Liquidator, under the Court of Chancery.

Bombay, 3rd April 1867.

NOTICE.—The COMMITTEE of MANAGEMENT of the Bombay Shareholders of the COMMERCIAL BANK CORPORATION OF INDIA AND THE EAST, beg to call a MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Corporation on THURSDAY next, the 18th instant, at 3 P. M., at the Bank's premises, when the Committee may account for their proceedings to the Shareholders and ascertain their opinion as to the proposed resuscitation of the Commercial Bank.

T. F. PUNNETT, Honorary Secretary.

6, Rampart Row, Bombay, 13th April, 1867.

TEA! TEA!! TEA!!!

Black Finest Pouchong, 3 bundles in 1 lb.....Rs.	1 8
Pouchong, 1 lb. tin ..... „	2 0
Rose Pekoe ..... „	1 12
Orange Pekoe ..... „	1 8
Hyson Green..... „	2 0
Flowery Pekoe ..... „	2 0
Congou ..... „	1 4

Apply to BAZONJEE & NUSSERWANJEE,

13th April, 1867. Auctioneers.

MR. ARTHUR PICARD is authorized to Sign our FIRM per procuration from THIS DATE.

JULES, SIEGFRIED, & Co.

Bombay, 13th April 1867.

ROSSELET & Co.

ESTABLISHED 1858.

CHRONOMETER MAKERS, JEWELLERS, OPTICIANS, ENGRAVERS, &c.

No. 6, MEADOW STREET, FORT, BOMBAY.

THE OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.—CAPITAL £1,000,000 STERLING.—The undersigned have been appointed Agents, and are prepared to accept risks on behalf of the above Company.

W. NICOL & Co.

Bombay, 15th December, 1866.

CARNAC IRON WORKS.—FRASER AND MILLER, (late Chief Engineers in P. & O. Co.,) beg to intimate they have OPENED the above Establishment on Carnac Bunder as ENGINEERS, MILL WRIGHTS, BOILER MAKERS, and GENERAL SMITHS, and are prepared to undertake the Repairs and Erection of all classes of Machinery.

Ships coming here will find the Carnac Iron Works very convenient from its close proximity to the Harbour.

Boats can come alongside at any state of the tide.

Carnac Bunder, 17th February 1867.

RED BOOT MART—ESTABLISHED 1845.—R. PARTRIDGE has THIS DAY received per Steamer *Nada* the following Goods made expressly to order :—

Ladies' Black and Bronze Kid Black and Coloured Cashmere White Satins, White Jean and the Croquet Boots in Kid, with and without heels, for house and walking purposes.

Ladies Black and Colored Morocco and White Jean Slippers.

Boys and Girls Boots and Shoes from size 1 to 4, in great variety.

Gentlemen's Silk, Patent, Kid Enamel, Calf, Morocco, Kangaroo Brown, White and Straw Colored Buckskin, Canvas and Arill Boots and Shoes.

Knee and thigh Gaiters with spring and button Fastenings.

Napblian Riding Boots in Brown and Enamel Leather.

Gentlemen's Patent, Black and Colored Morocco Turkish Pile and Fancy Slippers.

All orders promptly attended to. Terms—Cash.

NAPIER FOUNDRY AND ENGINE WORKS,

Foras Road, Byculla, Bombay.

D. T. STEWART & Co. beg to notify that they are now prepared to execute all manner of Iron and Brass Castings, to undertake repairs of Marine and other Engines, and to furnish Estimates for the supply of Hydraulic Presses, Pumps, and every description of Machinery.

All Ship work and up-country requirements will receive prompt attention.

Communications to be addressed to the Works, as above, or directed to care of Messrs. JOHN TANNER & Co., No. 12, Meadow Street.

Bombay, 1st June, 1866.

IN conformity with a Resolution passed on the 15th March 1867 by the Board of Directors of the COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS a Branch has been established in London, 13, Leaden Hall Street, E. C.

TWO or THREE GENTLEMEN can be accommodated with BOARD and LODGINGS in an English family. Pleasantly situated at Byculla. Terms moderate, apply to "W." Office of this paper.

UNIVERSAL BANK AND FINANCIAL CORPORATION, LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION).—Holders of Allotment Letters and Receipts, &c., for shares in this Corporation are requested to lodge the same at the Company's Office, No. 2, Rampart Row, for Examination and Registration.

NARAYEN CRISTNA, LAUD.
GOVIND BALCRISTNA.
Liquidators.

10th April, 1867.

THE Practice of allowing HAMALS, and other MENIALS in charge of Offices during the absence of Members of the Firm, to sign Receipts for Telegrams in the NATIVE CHARACTER, being found to render very difficult, in fact almost impossible, any immediate check on the correct delivery of Telegrams so signed, owing to the similarity of the Native Character, and Names, it is particularly requested that Merchants, and others, in the habit of receiving Messages, will make arrangements for the Receipts being signed with the recognized signature of the Firm, or some other authorized signature, or Stamp, which should be entered in a Book about to be circulated for that purpose.

W. N. BROOKE,
Supt., Govt. Telegraph, Bombay Department.

Bombay, 15th April, 1867.

ROYAL BANK OF INDIA.—A GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the ROYAL BANK OF INDIA will be held at the Banks Premises in Meadow Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of May next, at 12 o'clock noon, for the despatch of the following business :—

1st. To receive the Accounts of the Bank made up to the 31st December 1866, and the Director's' Report thereon.

2nd. To consider the position of the Bank, and if so determined to pass Resolutions to the following effect :—

1st. That the Bank be wound up voluntarily.

2nd. That a Liquidator or Liquidators be appointed with all the powers conferred by Act 10 of 1866.

3rd. That the remuneration to be paid to the said Liquidator or Liquidators be fixed.

4th. That the Liquidator or Liquidators shall have the powers given by section 174 of Act 10 of 1866 to compromise all calls and Liabilities to Calls; Debts and Liabilities capable of resulting in debts, and all claims whether present or future, subsisting or supposed to subsist, between the Company and any Contributory or alleged Contributory, or other Debtor or person apprehending liability to the Bank, and all questions in any way relating to or affecting the Assets of the Bank, or the winding up of the Bank, generally, upon such terms as may be agreed upon, with power for the Liquidator or Liquidators to take any security for the discharge of such debts or liabilities, and to give complete discharges in respect of all or any such Calls, Debts or Liabilities.

JAMES HOSSACK, General Manager.

Bombay, 15th April 1867.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the ROYAL BANK OF INDIA will be closed from the 16th of April instant, until after the General Meeting of the Shareholders of which Notice is given above. JAMES HOSSACK, General Manager.

Bombay, 15th April 1867.

NOTICES.

MESSRS. BADHAM & COMPANY,

HOSIERS, GLOVERS, AND GENERAL WAREHOUSEMEN.

By Appointment.

Apollo House. Bombay.

SUCCESSIVELY appointed by the late EARLS CANNING and ELGIN, and by the present Viceroy and Governor General of India, His Excellency The Right Hon'ble SIR JOHN MAIR LAWRENCE, G. C. B., K. S. I.

Beg to inform their Constituents, that in consequence of the rapid increase of business in Bombay, they have made extensive arrangements to meet the requirements. The goods for Season '67 have been selected with great care and good judgment, by the Senior Partner, Mr. BADHAM, and cannot fail to give satisfaction. Mofussil orders will continue to receive special attention.

HOSIERY DEPARTMENT.

	Rs.	Rs
BADHAM'S Fine Bro Cotton Socks, per dozen....	11	to 13
BADHAM'S Superfine Bro. Cotton Socks	16	18
BADHAM'S Balbriggan Socks embossed Silk.....	18	24
BADHAM'S Fine Striped and Fancy Socks.....	16	20
BADHAM'S Spanish Bro. Merino Socks	16	16
BADHAM'S Superior Grey Merino Socks	16	18
BADHAM'S Superfine Fancy Merino Socks	13	24
BADHAM'S Striped Lisle Thread Socks		18
BADHAM'S Fancy and Striped Silk Socks.....	28	45
BADHAM'S China Silk Hose	ea.	10 12
BADHAM'S Ribbed Knickerbocker Stockings „		3 4
BADHAM'S Celebrated Gauze under Vests „		3 4
BADHAM'S Celebrated Silk and Wool Vests „		4 5
BADHAM'S Celebrated India Gauze Vests „		4 5
BADHAM'S Silk and Wool Pants..... „		6 8
BADHAM'S India Gauze Pants..... „		7 8
BADHAM'S Grey Merino Pants „		6 8
BADHAM'S Bathing Drawers Striped and Fancy.		2 3

SHIRT DEPARTMENT.

	Rs.	As.
BADHAM'S White Zephyr Shirts per doz. 50, 55, 60,	65	0
BADHAM'S Dress Zephyr Shirts „	75	0
BADHAM'S Pure all Wool Shirts, Shrunk, each ...	10	8
BADHAM'S Pure Silk and Wool Shirts „	10	
BADHAM'S Pure Cashmere Shirts „	10	8
BADHAM'S Spun Silk Shirts „	12	8
BADHAM'S French Printed Shirts „	70	0
BADHAM'S Spun Silk Sleeping Suits	25	0
BADHAM'S Cashmere Sleeping Suits indispensable	20	0
BADHAM'S Silk and Wool Sleeping Suits	20	0

COLLARS.

BADHAM'S Regent Collars. ... ... Per doz...	6	7
BADHAM'S Shakespeare and Zephyr Collars	6	7
BADHAM'S India and Dux Collars	6	7
BADHAM'S Milton, Military and Czar Collars	6	7

TRAVELLING DEPARTMENT

SOUTHGATE'S Overland Trunks, 2 ft. 6 in.	25	0
SOUTHGATE'S do. do 2 ft. 9 in.....	29	0
SOUTHGATE'S do. do. 3 ft.	30	0
SOUTHGATE'S Warranted Solid Leather Portmanteaus, 2 ft. 6 in.....	40	0
SOUTHGATES' Railway Hand Portmanteaus	19	0
SOUTHGATES' Best Basil Railways.....	18	0
SOUTHGATES' Best Basil Coat Bags	18	0
SOUTHGATES' Courier Bags.....	8	0
BADHAM'S For Railway Rug	16 to 20	0
BADHAM'S Reversible Railway Rug	12	0
BADHAM'S Carriage Rug	30	0
BADHAM'S Blanket Rug.....	30	0
PRINCE OF WALES' Sandringham Rug	36	0
BADHAM'S Railway Mauds & Shawls	22	0

HAT DEPARTMENT.

"LANDED" PER "DILHURUN."

An immense assortment of Ellwood and Sons' HELMETS and FELT HATS, old Brisbane, Brother Sam, Confederate, Versailles, Nautilus, Newmarket, Jerome, Oxford, Cambridge, Hampden, Harrington, Hamilton, and Tweed Hats of all descriptions.

Apollo House. BADHAM & Co., Agents.

CORRESPONDING FIRM :

BADHAM BROS.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.—ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

In the matter of Act XXVIII of 1865 of the Legislative Council of India, and in the matter of DADABHOY BYRAMJEE JEE who lately traded in Bombay as D. BYRAMJEE and COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given that by an order made by the Honorable SIR CHARLES SARGENT, KNIGHT, on the 5th instant, it is ordered that the creditors of the said DADABHOY BYRAMJEE (who have not yet done so) do send particulars of their DEBTS or CLAIMS to Mr. T. F. PUNNETT, Manager of the Trustees of the said Estate, at his office, Rampart Row, the premises partly occupied by the Commercial Bank of India and the East on or before FRIDAY the 19th day of April instant, or that in default they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution of Assets that may be made before such debts or claims are proved.—Dated this 6th day of April, 1867.

DALLAS & Co.,
Solicitors for the Trustees.

B. F. CAMA'S TRUST.—All DEBTORS to this ESTATE are hereby required forthwith to PAY to the undersigned the amount of their DEBTS; and all CREDITORS are requested to send in their CLAIMS without delay, accompanied with the necessary Vouchers, and made up with Interest to 31st July 1866.

T. F. PUNNETT,
Manager to the Trustees of B. F. Cama's Estate.

No. 6, Rampart Row, Bombay, 23rd Feb. 1867.

ARRIVED BY LAST ENGLISH MAIL.

PERRY'S BOSTONITE TABLETS (handsomely bound in brass edged Morocco covers) equal to Ivory and not liable to split or warp.

Strongly bound blotting blotting pads of thick white paper, made expressly to pattern.

MONEY POUCHES; in Russia, crossed bound, and plain.

HERE IT IS, indexed, for assisting the memory; bound in Morocco.

PERRY'S GRAVITATING INKSTANDS, for the office or study.

RIMMEL'S PELLUCID GLYCERINE SOAP.

POCKET BOOKS, Elegant and Plain, of sizes.

MORDAN'S and CHUBB'S DESPATCH BOXES, in variety.

SAVONS MONSTRES, PETROLINE SOAP.

LADIES BACK COMBS of various elegant patterns.

TREACHER & Co. (LIMITED.)

AGRI-HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY OF WESTERN INDIA.—The Public are informed that ANNUALS and PERENNIALS are for SALE at the VICTORIA GARDENS at ONE RUPEE a Pot.

Creepers of sorts at one Rupee each.

Common Annuals at 3 Rupees a dozen, and Roots, without pots, of Petunia and Coreopses at one Rupee a dozen.

Detailed Lists may be seen either at the Gardens, or at the Office, Town Hall.

F. BROUGHTON, Surgeon Major,
Offg. Honorary Secretary.

Town Hall, 18th Feb. 1867.

FINANCIAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIA AND CHINA (LIMITED) IN LIQUIDATION.—NOTICE is hereby given that a first distribution of the assets of the above Association, at the rate of Rs. 15 per Share will be made at the office of the Association, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY 10th instant, and after that date up to 1st May next. All sums not applied for by the latter date will be reserved until the next distribution. This arrangement is adopted with a view to reducing the expenses of the Establishment as much and as speedily as possible. Shareholders will be required to produce the certificates for their shares on applying for payment.

JOHN SMITH,
Liquidator.

Bombay, 6th April, 1867.

AKBAR COTTON PRESS COMPANY (LIMITED).—NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at its Office, No. 3, Church Lane, on WEDNESDAY the 17th instant at 3 P. M. for the purpose of confirming the Resolution passed at an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the said Company held on the 3rd instant, viz.

1st. To alter clause 6 of the Articles of Association relating to the number of shareholders required to form a quorum.

2nd. To alter clause 10 of the Articles of Association relating to the qualification for Directorship.

3rd. To alter clause 11 of the Articles of Association with reference to the number of Directors.

By order of the Directors,
EVANS, LAIDMAN & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Akbar Cotton Press Company (Limited).

Bombay, 3rd April 1867.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION (LIMITED).—IN LIQUIDATION.—NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made by SAMULDASS RAGHUNATHDASS, LUCKMIDASS CULLIANJEE, PUNDLICK NARRAYEN, GOKULDASS KALL VIZBHOOCANDASS and MUNCHARAM PETAMBER to the Official Liquidator of the abovenamed Corporation for payment to them of dividends DUE on the letters of allotment of the said Corporation Nos 86, 779, 1456, 1553, 857, 1000, 226, 1203, 11, 1307, 136, 1389, 999, 1092, 1088, 1120, 484, 1962, 1269, 1133, 1963, 564, 607, 587, 1635, 563, 1448, 856, 626, 1690, 1534, 521, 721, 181, 1270, 1391, 1595, 1151, 473, 726, 1409, 869, 1008, 461, and standing in the names of the following persons viz:—Chuguanlal Muncharam, Abdool Humeed, Nanabhai Tricumjee, Humar Maladin, Chunilal Motecelal, Narronbhoy Pranjevon, Vullee Goolamanee, Pestonjee Burjorjee, Hubib Hoosan, Goolam Saheb Mumdooo, Kharas Premjee, Rao Manock, Shamjee, Pragjee Khengar, Raghoo Ramdass, Arthur William Reynalds, Thomas McQueen, Washington Irving, Hoosan Cassum, John Mahomed Sayen, Robinson Bonstead, Lemanmarks, Haree Narrayen, Sadhy Mahomed, Shaik Esmail, Allaraki Currumeyy, Dewjee Ludha, G. W. Lewis, Ludha Kurreem. Somar Mohomed, Bhawoo Mahadeva, Jehangeer Hormusjee, Cullianjee Nanjee, Sakulchund Jetha, Jeychund Premchund, Gumputram Tricundass, Ryman Khan, Carroomsa Cassim Kassowram, Amroodeen Nugedew, Dajee Bapoo Naique, Joseph Ross, Govind Luckmichund, Moolnarayen Maharazwalla, Jugonath Raghunath, Damoder Ramchunder, Mookumchund Moteechund.

Any person or persons having any claim or claims in respect of the shares abovementioned are required to make the same known in writing to the said Official Liquidator at his office in Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise they will be precluded from receiving any dividend on the said shares.

C. E. & F. STANGER LEATHES,
Attorneys for Samuldass Raghunathdass and others.

Bombay, 3rd April, 1867.

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THE ABRIDGED EDITION

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Subscribed Capital.	Nominal value of sh.	Paid up.	Dividend.	Names.	Rates.
	Rs.	Rs.	pr. ct.		
2,140,000	4,000	4,000	8	Bank of Bengal ...	7,600 per shares.
10,56,000	1,000	1,000	8 p c.	Bank of Bombay ...	75 p ct dis.
1,000,000	250	150	.....	Bombay Pres. Bank.	87 per sh.
2,000,000	200	200	Rs6 p.	Bombay Trading & Banking Association	43 per share.
2,000,00.	100	100	.....	brokers' Banking Company	60 per share.
1,000,000	250	25.	nil	Central Bank ...	19 per share.
200,00.	200	200	5	Chartered Bank of India A. & China.	189 per share.
800,000	200	20	.....	China Bank ...	15 per share.
750,00.	250	250	12½	Chartered Mercantile Bank of India London & China.	31 ex-div.
1,600,000	200	200	12	Comptoir d'Escompte d'Paris ...	Nominal.
1,000,000	500	500	9	Delhi and London...	No quotation.
500,000	200	200	.....	Indian Peninsular London & China &c.	14 p share
3,750,000	1,000	1,0.	15	Madras Bank ...	87 p c. p.m.
1,200,000	250	12.	8 p ct.	National Bank of India	112 per sh.
1,500,000	250	250	16	Oriental Bank C.	70 p c. p.m. ex-di
600,000	200	200	.....	Royal Bank of Lo.	95 per share
.....	250	100	.....	Guzerat Bank ...	50 per share. [n

FINANCIAL ASSOCIATIONS.

.....	400	100	15	Bengal Credit Mob.	31 per sh.
200,000	400	150	.....	Financial Assn. of India and China	50 p. share.

EXCHANGE.

On.	Terms.	Rates.
London Banks ...	4 months' sight...	1s. 11½d.
Do. Credits...	4 Do. do. ...	2s. to 2s. 0¼d.
Do. Documents ...	4 Do. do. ...	2s. 0¼d.
Calcutta	At sight	100.
Do	20 days' sight ...	99½.
Do	60 Do. do. ...	98½.
Madras	30 Do. do. ...	1 dis.
China	...emand	215 nominal.
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RATES OF DISCOUNT.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

Government Securities ...	...	...	6 per cent.
Mercantile Bills ...	...	...	9 do

BANK OF BENGAL.

Government Securities ...	...	...	8 per cent.
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Four Per cent. Sicca Rs.	Transfer Loans ...	...	Rs. 88½
... ... Sicca ...	Loan 1832-33 ...	...	 92
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..., on sick certi-

...leave, from Kirkee.
..., from Poona.
...Staff Corps, on sick leave,

...Medical Department, on leave, from

...aptain 3rd Dragoon Guards, on leave, from

...utenant Colonel, Commandant 3rd Light ...leave, from Poona
... Master 109th Foot, on leave, from Poona.

DEPARTURES.—APRIL 16.

...tain S., Commissary of Ordnance, on leave, ...d.
...rgeon C. C., 18th Hussars, on sick leave, to

...rgeon C., Bhopal Political Agency, on sick ...England.
... D., on medical certificate, to Nellgherries.
... R., 24th Regiment N. I., to join, to Poona.
...m Major, Staff, on duty, to Belgaum.
...ant Colonel, Commandant 3rd Cavalry, on ...a.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

...Medallion .....Bussoon. April 4.
...Tcashie.....Mandavie, April 12.
...Naresh...Cochin, March 1.

DEPARTURES.

...Hascom .....Aden and Suez.
...Clark .....Liverpool.
...Brough .....Liverpool.
...Gachet .....Malabar Coast.

...els obtained their port clearances yesterday :—
...ney, R.N. Galan, bound to Malabar Coast.
..., J. Stitch, bound to Liverpool.

...S IN BOMBAY HARBOUR.

...ll. signifies "commenced loading."

FOR LONDON.

...rian, Piggie—Captain. (cl. 1. April 3)
...—W. Nicol & Co. (c. 1. April 15)

FOR LIVERPOOL.

566 Adriana Patroulis, Brevk—Captain. (c. l. Apr. 10)
955 Andromeda, Asplet—by a Brothers & Co. (c. l. April 10
199 Apollos, McLay—Rennie, Scovell & Co. (c. l. April 10
1319 Bayard, Jackson—Robinson & Co. (c. l. April 15)
1178 Bessa Uamba, Mecan—E. Latham & Co. (c. l. April 1)
1360 Balwark—W. Nicol & Co. (c. l. Mar. 27)
1382 Catherine Rankin, Davies—Finlay Clark & Co. (c. l. Mar. 29)
899 Confidence, Maleier—Sir Charles Forbes & Co. (c. l. April 1)
703 Constance, Rogers—Volkart Brothers. (c. l. April 1)
1277 Dilharree, Bannatyne—W. Nicol & Co. (c. l. Mar. 21)
263 E. P. Bonverie—W. Nicol & Co. (c. l. April 1)
1355 East, Callandar—Lawrence & Co. (c. l. April 11)
1091 Examinies, Pen—Ritchie, Stewart & Co. (c. l. April 6)
1179 Evelyn, Bosg—Lawrence & Co.
1165 Gatineau, Cummings—Ritchie, Stewart & Co.
1017 Helvilyn, Barclay—Finlay Clark & Co. (c. l. Mar. 13)
983 Hydrabad Baxter—Iron Ship Company. (c. l. Mar. 25)
1320 Innisfallen, Gibson.—Merwanjee. (c. l. Mar. 6)
1045 James Seddon, Lockie—John Clover & Co. (c. l. April 9)
1018 Johannes, Kloebgeton—Volkart Brothers & Co. (c. l. April 5)
1180 John Bunyan—Lyon Brothers & Co. (c. l. Mar. 12)
1347 Lady Palmerston, Bannerman—E. Latham & Co. (c. l. April 6)
1359 Longwood, Penge—Volkart Brothers. (c. l. April 4)
1175 Lydia, Williams—Wallace & Co. (c.l. April 8)
1262 Maha Sukshawur, Thomas—Rennie, Scovell & Co. (c. l. Mar. 29)
1207 Mentana, Greetham—Rennie, Scovell & Co.
1243 Mary Stenhouse, Wedmass—E. Bates & Co. (c. l. Mar. 4)
1095 Merwanjee Framjee, Pike—Lyon Brothers.
1001 Otago, Masterton—Ritchie, Stewart & Co. (c. l.Apr. 10)
713 Peveril of the Peak, Loftus—Cosgland & Co. (c. l. April 11)
1210 Queen of England, Nelson—Captain. (c. l. April 2)
1408 Queen of the North, Weaver—Lawrence & Co. (c. l. Mar. 5)
1269 Richard Eyland, Cameron—J. Clover & Co. (c. l. Mar. 14)
1245 Robert Seddon, Pennington—John Clover & Co. (c. l. April 9)
1088 Sea Mandal, Murdock—Coupl-nd & Co.
1116 Sandringham, Muir—W. Nicol & Co. (c. l. April 8)
1279 Siberia, Clark—Finley, Clark & Co. (c. l. April 10)
1125 Simla, Porter—Captain. (c. l. Mar. 29)
1045 Skerweru, Keats—W. Nicol & Co. (c. l. April 8)
1376 The Picture, Gillies—Edward Bates & Co. (c. l. April 8)
1094 Theresa Teitgens Shiell—Captain. (c. l. April 9)

FOR COAST AND CALCUTTA.

564 Muscat Merchant, Ward—S. Lall Md. (c. l. April 8)

FOR ADEN AND SUEZ.

1038 Delhi (s), Methven, P. and O. Co. (c. l. April 8)
401 Ganga (s), Thompson—P. & O. Co. (c. l. April 6)

FOR HAVRE.

976 Blue Jacket, Lesby—Hormusjee & Jamsetjee D.
926 City of Canton—W. Nicol & Co. (c. l. Mar. 25)
674 Delhi, Pickering—W. Nicol & Co. (c. l. April 1)
1319 Indus, Hicks—P. & O. Co.
220 Omer Jalic, Fraser—Bomanjee Touche & Co. (c. l. Mar. 28)
205 Prince Llewellyn, Davies—Hormusjee Jamsetjee Dubash.
208 Stancher, Oman.
824 Westborough, Davey—Captain. (c. l April 3)

FOR BORDEAUX.

540 Alma, Compier—Finlay Scott & Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

427 Gladestaur, Le Lonkor—Captain. (c. l. Mar. 22)
200 Kin Joo-Hogg, Davidson (c. l. Mar. 14)

FOR PERSIAN GULF.

280 Marteloa (s),—B. I. S. N. Co. (c. l. April 8)

FOR RANGOON.

884 Natmoo, Robertson—Merwanjee Nusserwanjee (c. l. Apr. 12)

FOR CALCUTTA

1081 Cod-bux, R.w.
1178 Henry Handley, Gardner—J. N. Ebram.

NOT FIXED.

286 Aden, Riley—H. M.'s Sedick.
744 Atiet Rahomon, Hosgee—H. A. C. Cadoo.
269 Avalanche, Holland—J. P. Cornforth & Co.
700 Amelia, Taylor—P. & O. Co.
390 Backhouse, Graham—Leggett & Co.
1464 Bombay, Hall—B. & B. S. S. Co.
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439 Futhel Mujeed, Nacoda—Shaik Mahomed Abdoola Latiff.
1000 Futter Moosabunnoo, Nacoda—Sulaiman.
744 Gallant Neil, Meffer—Leggett & Co.
324 Kurrachee (s), Cottier—I. S. N. Co.
1001 Lloyds, Robinson—Wallace & Co.
681 Morning Star, Morcan—H. H. Cama.
556 Phettle Barry, Nacoda—H. M. Sedick.
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1187 Rosene, Messervy—Dubash.
871 Sarah, Sord—Wallace & Co.
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499 Sieh Allum, Nacoda—H. L. Jafer.
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289 Wortenberg, Cisse—Volkart Brothers.

P. & O. Co.'s STEAMERS

1383 Bengal (s), Hall—P. and O. Co.
1360 Malta (s), Farrow—P. & O. Co.
Orient (s), arrived—P. & O. Co.

H. M.'s STEAMER.

Queen Adel (s), Carew.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE.—A pair of BAY ARAB HORSES, go well in double or single Harness, can be used for riding. Apply to Mr. CARTER, 11, Forbes Street, Fort.

TO SMOKERS.—No. II. Choice and real Manilla CIGARS and CHEROOTS at Rs. 40 per 1,000. ROGERS, COHEN & Co. 7, Forbes Street.

NOTICE.—Whereas my Wife GEORGINA JOHNSTON having left my protection, I hereby give notice that I shall not be responsible for any DEBT or DEBTS, she may incur from this date. 16th April 1867. JOHN JOHNSTON.

NOTICE.—The ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF PAPER CURRENCY begs to inform the Public that the CURRENCY OFFICE will be closed from the 18th to the 23rd Instant, both days inclusive, on account of the EASTER HOLIDAYS.
Office of Issue of Paper Currency, Bombay, 16th April 1867.

TO HORSE OWNERS.—The undersigned are prepared to supply Deccan Meadow-grown hay of superior quality, the nutritive qualities of which surpass those of other descriptions. A trial is respectfully solicited.
GHOSLA MUTHA & SONS,
Hay Market, Grant Road, near the Mahomedan Burial Ground.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Ship "FLEUR DE LIS," from Liverpool, are requested to send off Boats alongside immediately for their respective goods, as they come to hand, failing which they will be landed by the Captain at the risk and expense of the concerned.
Captain Thompson will not be responsible for the contents or condition of any package after it leaves the Ship's deck. REMINGTON & Co.,
Agents for the Ship *Fleur de Lis*.

WEEKLY SALE.—This day, WEDNESDAY, the 17th instant, at 1 P M. Messrs. BAZONJEE and NUSSERWANJEE will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms No. 19 and 20 Sassoon's Buildings, Elphinstone Circle West, Elegantly Carved Blackwood Furniture, consisting of Sofas, Couches, Round, Side, Dining, Dressing and Wash-hand Tables, Easy, Rocking, and Drawing Room-chairs, Screen, Cupboard Press, Chest of Drawers, Teapoys, Bedstead, Child's Cradle, Swing, and Garry, &c. &c.
Also by order of the Trustees of an Insolvent Estate, 1 Gold Watch and Chain, 1 Brass Cot, 5 Globe Lamps, and some furniture.
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GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.—NOTICE.—EASTER HOLIDAYS.—A SPECIAL TRAIN for the accommodation of MATHERAN and POONA Passengers will leave Bombay on THURSDAY the 18th instant returning from Poona and Narel on TUESDAY the 23rd instant as under:—

THURSDAY, APRIL 18.	P.M.	TUESDAY, APRIL 23.	A.M.
Bombay.....Dep.	2-30	Poona .....Dep.	5-0
Byculla..... ,,	2-47	Kirkee..... ,,	5-15
Tannah..... ,,	3-31	Lanowlee ..... ,,	6-35
Callian..... ,,	4-7	Khundalla ..... ,,	6-49
Narel ..... Arrl.	5-0	Kurjut..... ,,	8-5
Do. ..... Dep.	5-5	Narel ..... ,,	8-27
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W. KNOX, General Traffic Manager.
Bombay, 16th April 1867.

ARRIVAL OF DR. L. LA'MERT IN BOMBAY.
MEDICAL ADVICE.

DR. L. LA'MERT, of 37 BEDFORD SQUARE, LONDON; M. D. of the University of Erlangen; Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh; Member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England (Registered), has arrived in Bombay, and may be consulted (either personally or by letter) on the Treatment and Cure of Nervous and Physical Debility, Daily, from 9 till 6 at his residence, 4 Hornby Row, Fort (next door to Mr. Gabriel the Dentist.)

In the matter of Act XXVIII. of 1865 of the Legislative Council of India and in the matter of MORARJEE HEMRAZ who lately carried on business at Bombay under the name and style of MORARJEE HEMRAZ.

NOTICE.—THE MEETING of the CREDITORS which was called on WEDNESDAY the 17th day of April 1867 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon has been POSTPONED till WEDNESDAY next the 24th day of April instant, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.—Dated this 16th day of April 1867.
KELLY & Co.,
Attornies to Morarjee Hemraj.
Apollo Street, Sassoon's Buildings.

BOMBAY RECLAMATION COMPANY (LIMITED).—Whereas at the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS held THIS DAY the following resolution was unanimously carried:—
"That in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable that the same be adjourned until WEDNESDAY next the 24th April with the view of enabling the shareholders to examine into the accounts and to consider the information now laid before them."

NOTICE is hereby given that the adjourned meeting will be held at the Office of the Liquidators in Elphinstone Circle on WEDNESDAY next the 24th instant at 3 P.M.
M. H. SCOTT
J. RANKEN. } Liquidators.
J. G. SMITH.
16th April 1867.

ALHAMBRA—ESPLANADE.

WILL BE OPENED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION, ON THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH, 1867.
This is an entirely New Establishment of Public Amusement, upon which an enormous amount of Money has been lavished with an unsparing hand, to make it what it claims to be the first Exhibition of the kind in Bombay.
This Entertainment is entirely novel in construction, and superior in every particular.
It includes the following:—
FIVE LADY MUSICIANS.
From the City of Frankfort (Germany).
POSES PLASTIQUE OR TABLEAUX VIVANT of Roman, Greek and Hindoo Mythology with Posturings from ancient Persians—by Mr. V. Mathei, and his celebrated Troupe of Ladies and Gentlemen.
OLYMPIAN EXPLOITS OF YOUNG AMERICA who is with right entitled
THE STONE BREAST ROMAN GLADIATOR
AND
HERCULES AGAINST TWO HORSES.
AERIALISSMEN—ANTIPODIANISSMEN AND EQUILIBRIISMEN.
Performed by a Troupe of First Class artistes, well known at "Astley's Theatre" and the "Royal Alhambra," London
PERFORMANCE IN FOUR DISTINCT EXHIBITIONS.
THE FIRST PERFORMANCE TO TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH 1867.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Reserved Seats ...	Rs. 5	Amphitheatre ...	Rs. 2
Stalls	,, 3	Gallery	,, 1

Doors open at Eight—Performance to commence at Nine precisely.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 1867.

IT is quite clear from the speeches made at yesterday's meeting of shareholders of the Bank of Bombay that the opponents of the amalgamation of the Presidency Banks are much readier with their criticisms than with their money. They all think it would be a very easy thing to raise money in Bombay for the purpose of re-constructing the State Bank without the help of Bengal; but somehow or other they rest satisfied with this expression of opinion and do not attempt to support it by action. If there really be forthcoming in Bombay the capital required for the reconstitution of our Bank on an independent footing, why is it not at once produced? It is absurd to say—"Oh! we have not had time "to consider the matter yet," or, We don't like "to promise anything until we know whether "Government would be willing to continue "their account with us if we start a new Bank." Surely it would be the simplest thing in the world for capitalists who disapprove of the proposed amalgamation to come forward and subscribe a common declaration, pledging themselves to contribute a certain amount of money on receiving a guarantee of the monopoly of the Government business. A conditional engagement of this kind would involve them in no risk, and it would enable Government to weigh fairly the respective merits of two distinct proposals and decide in favour of whichever of the two seemed likely to be most advantageous to the public, instead of being left as at present with nothing to set against the deliberate offer of the Bank of Bengal but a few high-flown and unsubstantial letters and speeches that have been published in the Bombay newspapers. Nor can there be any reasonable doubt that the course we have pointed out would long ere this time have been taken by the objectors to Mr. Dickson's scheme, if it had been found possible to get the men and the money for establishing a new Bank in Bombay. But the objectors are in truth, with very few exceptions, divided into two great classes—the first consisting of public-spirited citizens who have no money and the second of rich citizens who have no public spirit; and the difficulty is so to amalgamate these two classes as to secure the desired combination of wealth and enterprize. There are, moreover, special reasons why Bombay capitalists should be unwilling to let it be generally known that they have large sums of money available for investment. A good deal of the wealth of the place is said to be in the hands of insolvents, who are naturally the most modest of men in estimating the value of what they possess, and to whom it would be utter ruin to be mistaken for millionaires. Even capitalists who are not insolvents have almost to a man suffered heavy losses, and live in daily dread of heavy calls on the shares of companies to which they belong; and such ready cash as they have at their disposal it taxes all their ingenuity to conceal from anxious enquirers among their friends and kinsmen. Nor will the gloomy nature of the commercial news received from England during the last few days encourage our rich men to greater boldness and freedom of action. It is contended, however, that, if the amalgamation be agreed to, money must still be raised in Bombay. But it will be raised through the intervention of an independent Bank whose scrip is already saleable in the market; and men will come forward readily enough to invest their money quietly in Bank of Bengal shares who would hesitate to compromise themselves by having anything to do with the new Bank of Bombay. That these considerations are not far-fetched may be inferred from the recent failure of the scheme for amalgamating the Royal and Presidency Banks with a capital already paid up of £500,000—a failure due solely to the dread which our capitalists have conceived of allowing their names to be connected with any joint-stock company.

There can be no harm in asking Government to state what it would do if "the capital requi-"site for carrying on the Bank as an indepen-"dent local institution" were raised; but it is not likely that Government will take the trouble to discuss possibilities when it is necessary to deal with realities. The strongest opinions are expressed from day to day as to the duty which Government owes to the people of Bombay and the shareholders of the local Bank in this matter. We are told that "a large part of the shareholders can be correctly described only as the "victims of misplaced trust in the Government "management of the Bank," and that therefore they have a right to demand from Government the utmost possible assistance towards putting their affairs in order. Is not such a complaint somewhat unreasonable? The Government committed errors, no doubt, but the chief of those errors was its weakness in allowing itself to be led astray by the popular sentiment which it ought to have striven to control. If Sir Bartle Frere had had the courage to denounce instead of applauding Premchund Roychund and his associates, the Government Directors of the Bank of Bombay might have opposed the policy which caused the ruin of the Bank. But the Government is chargeable only with neglect—with a sin of omission; the shareholders themselves, who elected the non-official Directors, are directly responsible for a much greater sin of commission, and have themselves only to blame for being now called upon to pay the penalty of their own active participation in the misdeeds, the terrible consequences of which they are now fruitlessly bewailing. Government (that is, the public) has not itself come off scot-free. Whatever blunders it was guilty of have been more than fully atoned for by the readiness with which it has twice come forward to the rescue of the Bank; and it has suffered loss of money and of credit enough already to justify it in refusing to do anything more for the shareholders. It is a great pity, however, that such a question should ever have been made the subject of acrimonious controversy. No one desires to advocate any plan that is not likely to be for the benefit of both the shareholders and the public; and the sensible course for us all to follow would be to try to improve Mr. Dickson's plan if it is not wholly satisfactory since that is the only one yet offered for consideration. If any of the opponents of amalgamation will give us something tangible to discuss, we shall know better how to deal with them. Half a dozen lines for instance, stating the amounts that such men as Cowasjee Jehanghier, Framjee Nusserwanjee, Munguldass Nathoobhoy and Venayekrao Jugonnath, are willing to subscribe for the new Bank, would be worth all the columns of "tall talk" about "the indepen-"dence of this magnificent city, Sir," of which the *Times of India* and its correspondents are so profuse.

WHEN the chimerical ideas in the ascendant during the late mania, on the subject of Public Works, gave place to more practical notions, it became necessary to decide at once on the most important. The decision as to which was to occupy the foremost place rested with the Government, and they, through their Engineers, gave their opinion. They decided that in this arid country the first and most important duty is to institute a system of irrigation. They determined to throw the other public works comparatively into the shade, and to concentrate all their energies on this one object. The glories of this scheme have eclipsed the lesser lights of other public works. The making of roads and tramways, which, a short time ago, occupied the attention of Government, is now put by till a more convenient season; and, except the dock scheme in Bombay harbour, all else seems to have been forgotten. That the subject of irrigation in this country is of great importance, cannot for one moment be denied, but why it is to occupy the first place, almost to the exclusion of all others, is inconceivable. There is another work to be accomplished of at least equal, if not greater consequence; we mean the establishment throughout the country of a system of communication.

The object of irrigation as of every public work is to ameliorate the condition of her Majesty's subjects, and it is for this purpose they pay taxes to the crown. But if that object can be sooner and better accomplished by any other means, common sense enjoins us to make use of them. The question then resolves itself thus, viz.—What description of public work is most calculated to benefit the revenue-producing population of India? Government have answered—"Irrigation"—and we have no reason to question the justice of the decision. But we think that it is premature. There is another scheme more important at the present moment, viz. the construction of roads, especially in Gujerat. In that most able report by Col. Baird Smith on the famine of 1861, in reply to the question as to how the sufferers should be employed, he warmly advocated the construction of roads, as the most useful line of employment. This opinion, as emanating from a man intimately connected with irrigation and fully alive to its advantages, is well worthy of serious consideration. He evidently considered a system of land communication more important in its developing power, than the present more lauded scheme. Again, apropos of the late famine in Orissa,—it was stated in a report sent in to the Bengal Government on that subject, that, although the country had most nobly subscribed to the alleviation of the distress, quantities of the grain sent were left to rot at the Bunders, simply because there were "no roads." It may be objected that the introduction of a plentiful supply of water would prevent the recurrence of a famine; that food would be always at hand, and that no roads would be required. If all lands were equally fertile, all produced edible crops, and were all free from failure in consequence of unseasonable weather, blight, etc., then the objection would hold good. But crops are never to be wholly depended on, in any one part of the country, whereas it never happens that they fail everywhere in the same year.

The ancient Romans were fully alive to the paramount utility of a lasting system of communication. Their first step on conquering a bad country was to construct roads, military roads of course, but so admirably built, that they exist to this day and put to shame our modern structures. The Watling Street, the Via Devana, and the Fossway still leave traces of the energy of Rome.—The first especially is traceable nearly all the way from London to Chester, the ancient Mediolanum. These Roman roads were not mere tracks but erections of solid stone, intended to stand the wear and tear of commissariat wagons, and heavy engines of war, to say nothing of the legions of heavy-armed Roman infantry continually on the march. Not only do we find this appreciation of the value of roads by a comparatively civilised nation, but we have evidence of the same sagacity in what we might call a barbarous country. In Peru, Pizarro and his followers found a broad road, 1,500 miles in length, stone built, with bridges over the rivers and ravines, and travellers' bungalows, so to say, at short intervals. This wonderful work was carried over mountains and valleys, and its age at that period was unknown, indeed it must have been built soon after the establishment of the Incas on the Peruvian throne. In giving these instances of ancient ways, built by military or forced labour, we do not mean to imply that our Government ought to make solid stone roads throughout India. Such a thing would be impossible. All that is needed is a level road which would be tolerably dry in the rains, and well supplied with bridges over the principal rivers and nullahs; such in fact as are here and there in course of construction. All that would be necessary to render a road passable, would be a raised bank with trenches on both sides, on the bank a foundation of brick, and on that a thick layer of kunker well rolled. To make a macadamised road would require immense labour and expense, and it would not be completed till after the lapse of years. Roads of this sort are being constructed in one or two districts, from local funds. Captain Prendergast Walsh in an able pamphlet entitled the "Kingdom of Cutch" mentions the following system pursued by the rajah on the road between Mandavie and his capital. In some places where the nullahs are shallow, and carry off the water rapidly, the rajah has caused the bottom to be paved with flat slabs, thus preventing the detention of traffic by the sticking of cart wheels in the mud or heavy sand.

The all-important question very naturally arises as to how the funds for the construction of these roads are to be raised. There are three ways of doing it, which merit consideration:—

First—By Government, on the present system.

Second—By a municipal arrangement by the institution of a road-tax, and compelling each village to maintain the portion passing through their grounds. This could be either compulsory or voluntary.

Third.—By erecting toll-gates, as on turnpike roads at home.

Of these three we are inclined to prefer the second, if made compulsory. If optional, some of the villages on the line might say that they did not desire a better road, and thus destroy the whole scheme.

The compulsory method would ensure its accomplishment, and would also ensure increased rapidity of execution. We should advise the employment of engineers and contractors to be optional. Let them make their own choice of Government executive, or civil contractors; if the latter be chosen, let them be controlled by a local board. Of course this would apply to large roads in populous districts, where the people would be in a condition to pay for the luxury. In the poorer portions of the country, it would be the duty of Government to construct tracks by clearing the jungle.

By a typographical mistake in the advertisement of the Bombay Landing and Shipping Company, which appeared in Monday's *Gazette*, the charge for landing cargoes of rice and sugar was printed Rs. 18 per ton instead of Rs. 1-8 per ton.

THE telegram of the 12th instant shews that the prospects of the maintenance of peace between France and Prussia had for the moment slightly improved, the French Foreign Minister having proposed to refer the question as to the possession of Luxemburg to the consideration of all the European Powers. This proposal is most probably nothing more than a piece of diplomatic finesse. France wishes to throw the responsibility of the war on Prussia, or to delay it till she herself is better prepared for the conflict. If Prussia now refuses to submit her claims to the neutral Powers, she will get the public opinion of Europe against her; if, on the contrary, she consents to the proposal of France, the deliberations of the Conference that will, we presume, be assembled, must last for sometime, while it is not likely that all the Powers will ever come to a unanimous decision and thus leave France no excuse for fighting when it suits her convenience to go to war.

A SPECIAL general meeting of the shareholders of the Bombay Reclamation Company was held in the office of the liquidators yesterday afternoon to consider the resolutions for a compromise with the Asiatic Banking Corporation which have been already published in our advertising columns. The chair was occupied by Mr. John Smith. A long discussion took place, some of the shareholders maintaining that the Asiatic Bank should not be exempted from any future liability that might arise on the Bombay Reclamation Company's shares held by the Bank, others maintaining that the terms of the proposed compromise were not sufficiently high, and some also maintaining that the Company should not listen to any proposal until the liquidator of the Asiatic Bank had made his official Report on the state of the Bank to the Court of Chancery. Finally a resolution for the adjournment of the meeting till the 24th instant was unanimously agreed to, to give the shareholders an opportunity of considering information as to the state of the Asiatic Bank laid before the meeting by the official liquidator of the Bank.

A SUPPLEMENT to the *Government Gazette* published yesterday afternoon contains the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to make provision for the administration of military cantonments. The Report suggests a few alterations on the Bill. The same Supplement also contains the Report of the Select Committee on the Quarantine Bill. The Committee has remodelled the Bill which, as now presented to the Council, does not take the form of Quarantine Regulations to be enforced with reference to all vessels entering the harbour of Bombay under certain circumstances, "but is rather designed to empower the Executive, when infectious and dangerous disease has actually manifested itself, to take measures to check the spread of such disease by removing the infected persons to a sanitarium, and by enforcing the disinfection of their personal property and of the vessels in which the disease may have appeared." Certain additional clauses introduced into the Bill empower Health Officers to take action under ordinary circumstances; while on special and emergent occasions Government is empowered to take special measures to protect the public from infection. Provision has also been made for the framing of rules for the proper management of the Sanitaria, and for the Sanitary cleansing of infected vessels and property. The clauses are intended to apply to the city as well as the port of Bombay and it is recommended that they should take the form of an amendment of the Municipal Act.

THE *Central India Times*:—We have had several severe thunder storms at Nagpore accompanied by heavy showers of rain and hail during the last week. The lightning struck two places in Nagpore, killing three persons and burning down the house of Mr. Apothecary Watson.

THE *Indian Daily News*:—The old saying "all work and no play makes Jack a very dull boy," must have been well conned over by the military authorities at home, as they are perpetually devising new schemes to keep their officers in a bright and lustrous state, thus giving them no time to become dull boys. What with the routine of regimental duty, committees, school, sword drill, equitation, rifle practice, and big gun drill, the subaltern has his time pretty well occupied. An officer in India never has any time to himself unless he shirks duties that ought to be supervised. It has now been ordered by the Duke of Cambridge that all young officers of Infantry, whether with their corps or with depots, where a military gymnasium has been constructed, are to go through a complete course of fencing therein. "*and that all officers be encouraged to take up the same in their leisure hours* as much as possible." It would be as well if general officers were to be taught this, and equitation also—"*quæ est asseri asseri saucia.*"

THE *Pall Mall Gazette*:—Professor Agassiz, in the course of some interesting lectures on the physical features of Brazil which he is giving at New York, stated that he has discovered in the basin of the Amazon alone 2,000 different kinds of fishes (ten times as many as were known a century ago to Linnæus as existing in the whole world)—of which he has brought back with him more than 1,500. He also found among many of the shell fishes of the Amazon, in fresh water, a singular tendency to ape the marine shells, whilst their internal structure is entirely different. He found a fish with the external characteristic of the razor-fish, whose internal organization was that of the fresh-water muscle, and others resembling the marine mother-of-pearl bivalve, and the arca. In these reminiscences of the sea among fresh-water animals, the Professor said he could only see the "working of mind which combines elements diversified among themselves, and hardly any indication of the transformation of one type into the other. Mr. Darwin, however, will perhaps conclude that there is evidence here that the whole valley of the Amazon was once the bottom of the sea, and that the marine fishes that were left were gradually subjected to modifications by the new conditions of fresh-water life.

THE LETTERS OF FRANCIS XAVIER.

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LETTER V.

(*Continued from Monday's Gazette.*)

I WROTE to you last year about our College at Goa which was commenced, and the building of which is going on rapidly. A great part of the building has been completed. In the College many pupils belonging to various native races are educated. Some of them learn Latin, others reading and writing. Father Paul is the Rector of the College. He daily says Mass and confesses the pupils and unceasingly conveys to them wholesome precepts. The College is very large; it will hold 500 students and is able to support them, for it has been assisted with large sums of money under the name of alms, both by the Governor of India and many others. There is good reason why all Christians should thank God on account of this Seminary of the Holy Faith as it is called. We hope that in a few years with God's aid a very large number of the heathen will join themselves to the faith of Christ, and that ere long the borders of the Church will be extended far and wide in the East by the pupils of this College.

There is a class of the heathen in these parts whom they call Brahmans. These attend to the worship of the gods and their superstitious rites, look after the temples, and take charge of the images. Nothing can be more perverse or more wicked than they are. I am in the habit of using, with reference to them, that saying of David, "Deliver me from the unholy race and from the unjust and deceitful man." This race of men is utterly given over to lying and fraud. Their chief aim is to deceive as cunningly as possible the simple and ignorant people. They give out that the gods order certain offerings to be made in the temples—of such things, namely, as they, the Brahmans, require for the support of their wives, children and families. They therefore persuade the unlearned that the images of the gods eat and dine as men do. There are some, who twice in the day before dinner and supper, offer a sum of money to the idol. The Brahmans themselves feasting to the cheerful sound of bells, make the ignorant believe that the gods are dining. Whenever they want anything they denounce the wrath of the gods against the people, because what has been demanded has not been sent, and declare that, unless their wishes are attended to, the deities will exact vengeance by sending massacres, diseases and attacks of demons. The credulous people therefore through the fear of the gods being put forward, listen to what the Brahmans say. The latter are men imbued with a mere tincture of learning, but what is wanting in knowledge they make up in cunning and malice. The Brahmans of this caste are very much annoyed at their frauds being exposed by me. Whenever they talk to me without any witnesses being present, they acknowledge that they have no inherit

THE PROPOSED AMALGAMATION OF THE BANK OF BOMBAY WITH THE BANK OF BENGAL.

A GENERAL meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Bombay was held yesterday forenoon for the purpose of electing a director in the room of Mr. Alexander Stewart, who had resigned. The attendance was not numerous. Mr. J. L. Loshington occupied the chair.

Mr. J. Stuart (the secretary) having read the notice calling the meeting,

Mr. C. E. Astley moved that Mr. Henry Maxwell should be elected a director in the room of Mr. Stewart.

This was seconded by Mr. Sorabjee Cowasjee Powalla, and unanimously carried.

The Chairman said: We have placed before you in the local journals, and on the table, the correspondence that has taken place with the Bank of Bengal regarding the amalgamation of the two Banks, so that you are able to judge for yourselves as to the nature of the negotiations which have been commenced, and the extent to which they have proceeded. After carefully considering the proposals of the Bank of Bengal we are unanimously of opinion that, with reference to the modifications already agreed to, and to other matters of detail to be discussed with Mr. Dickson, the proposed amalgamation of the two Banks is the most feasible measure yet suggested, and the most conducive to the interests of the shareholders. It has been suggested that fresh capital might be raised in Bombay, but we are not sanguine enough to think that sufficient to form a new Bank would be forthcoming. Under these circumstances, therefore, we deem it advisable to continue the negotiations with the Bank of Bengal; but before we complete any terms with them we shall again convene you for the purpose of discussing the question of amalgamation in detail, and of ascertaining your wishes on the subject. We shall now be happy to answer, as far as we are able, any questions bearing on the subject.

Mr. Sorabjee Cowasjee asked what premium would have to be paid on the shares of the amalgamated Bank.

The Chairman: So far as we can tell at present, 25 per cent.

Mr. A. D. Robertson said he would like to know if the Directors had ascertained whether, in the event of further capital being raised in Bombay, the Government account would be continued to the present Bank. He thought the whole question hinged on this point. It was manifest that it would be cheaper to the shareholders of the Bank of Bombay, to pay Rs. 500 a share towards raising fresh capital, than to pay Rs. 1,250 upon every two shares or Rs. 650 per share in connection with the amalgamated Bank. The Chairman had said that one reason why the Directors were in favour of the scheme for amalgamation was that there was no hope of raising the capital required for a reconstruction; but he had overlooked the fact that the proposal of amalgamation if carried out would necessitate the raising of Rs. 650 on every share, —it being thus actually a worse arrangement in that respect than that of starting a fresh Bank would be; and if there was a probability of the Government account being continued to this Bank provided the shareholders paid Rs. 500 per share, it would be sufficient for them to retain the good-will of the Bank to themselves and to secure to themselves whatever profits were to be derived from the business in Bombay, than to make over that business to the Bank of Bengal at what seemed to him to be a greater cost. (Hear hear.)

The Chairman thought Mr. Robertson had overlooked the fact that it was only proposed at present to raise forty lakhs of rupees—forty lakhs here and forty lakhs in Bengal.

Mr. Robertson imagined that if it was intended to form a new Bank in Bombay the whole of the fresh capital would not be called up at once, but that most likely a call of only Rs. 250 per share would be made to begin with, while the rest could be collected about six months after.

The Chairman was afraid they would have to get more than that.

Mr. Robertson said his suggestion was, that if there was any possibility of fresh capital being obtainable, they should go to Government and say—"Now, will you, in the event of our having raised fresh capital before your temporary arrangement with us has run out,—in the event of either having raised Rs 500 as additional capital on every share,—will you continue your banking account with us?"

Mr. G. M Stewart (director) said he should like to offer a few words before they proceeded further. As this meeting had been called for a special purpose, and could only be held for a special purpose, and could only be asked to pass a resolution with regard to any other point, but he thought it was fortunate that they had the opportunity of discussing the question of amalgamating with the Bank of Bengal. The more the directors could ascertain the feeling of the shareholders on the subject, the better they would be able to study their wishes as well as their interests in preparing a definite proposal to submit for their sanction. It was not the directors wish to press any measure in opposition to the shareholders; but the object they had in view was to arrange such terms as they could not only recommend the shareholders to accept, but show to be to their advantage. If they could not do that, they would be glad to hear of any other plan that could be suggested. The suspense and delay which had already occurred, and which had caused so much remark, had arisen solely from the fact that the directors were not satisfied with the proposal from Bengal as embodied in Mr. Dickson's minute, and that they felt that some alteration was necessary to make it acceptable either to themselves or to the shareholders. He (Mr. Stewart) must say he thought the subject had come before the shareholders in a very unfortunate manner. Mr Dickson's minute addressed to his own directors was never intended to be made public in Bombay, and he (Mr. Stewart) was not surprised that it should have excited some indignation, and done much to defeat its own object, and cause objections, which, however, he thought generally Mr. Dickson satisfactorily explained. He did not now speak of the question of a concentrated Banking system for all India, but of what they as shareholders had now more particularly to consider, the terms for a perpetual arrangement to take effect at once pending the legislation necessary for the establishment of one State Bank. Now as to those terms, exception had been taken to the premium of 25 per cent, at which Mr. Dickson proposed to issue the new shares. That, he (Mr. Stewart) thought, arose from an idea the premium thus raised went to the Bengal Bank as a of forfeit paid by shareholders in the Bank of Bombay the fact was that nearly as much capital would ed in Bengal on exactly the same terms and the amount of premium would go to augment a fund for the general benefit which would the actual value of the share. It had been What do we get as an equivalent for the good-will ness we bring into the new bank?" The answer get a share in the business of the Bengal Bank' which their friends on the other side of India were likely to consider a full equivalent. As to the amount of capital and reserve Mr. Dickson proposed, his (Mr. Stewart's) own opinion was that he pitched his figures rather high; but then he did not think Mr Dickson would get all he expected at least from the issue to be offered to Bombay shareholders; and here he would point out that the new shares were only to be offered to those who would be entitled to them, there would be no compulsory call, and any one would have the option of declining to do more than await the liquidation of the old business which would, beyond doubt, be immensely assisted by the amalgamation. They would also have the option of taking six months to consider, for according to the modified plan the new shares might be taken up either on the 30th June or 31st December, and in the meantime any prospective advantage would no doubt be discounted on the price of the shares and enable those who could not hold to realize better rates. It had been suggested by some that they might reconstruct the Bank by raising 50 lacs of Rupees, but that sum would not, he thought, be sufficient. They will see from the correspondence that the new Bank must be prepared to advance upwards of 60 lacs, in order to take over the present business and leave the old Bank free to liquidate. Supposing 100 lacs could be raised in Bombay—which he very much doubted—they could not even then be secure of a continuance of the Government business. They might rely upon the support of Government to a certain extent, and they had taken into consideration how far an equitable amalgamating the two Banks would receive favourable consideration; but if a fair and reasonable offer was made to them, and they allowed any feeling of pique or jealousy to prevent its acceptance, he thought they would run a risk of forfeiting the support of Government. And then what would be the consequence suppose a branch of the Bank of Bengal were established here with the support of the Government of India? They have met as shareholders, and they should consider the question at present as affecting their interests; at the same time he could not help looking to the advantages which the introduction of such capital at the disposal of such a Bank would have upon the trade of this place at the present time. He need not enter upon any argument with regard to the concentration of the Presidency Banks. He might point to the superabundance of unemployed cash in Bengal at a time when they were suffering from the reverse here; and as to the objection that the control over the Bank would be at a distance, he did not see that any difficulty need be apprehended, seeing that most of their Exchange Banks were under the direction of London Boards. As to any feeling of dislike to Bengal coming here, he did not think they need be afraid of any competition. Bombay will always find its level in a banking point of view in proposition to the value of its commerce, and as facilities for internal traffic increase in the country the importance of Bombay must also increase. They might even look forward to a time when the seat of the Supreme Government might, at times, be on this side of India, when if Bombay was not the head-quarters of the Bank it would at least be the most important branch, and Bengal only another branch. There was one class of shareholders who, he thought, deserved the very greatest consideration and who had not had the opportunity of expressing their opinions at any meeting held in Bombay—He referred to those who had left the country, having invested their money in shares, believing that they would always be sure of an income from regular dividends. In the interests of those shareholders specially he was in favor of amalgamation as affording the best means of making the most of the shares they hold. In conclusion he would remark that at least no harm has been done by the negotiations that had passed, for if it was yet decided to be possible and desirable to raise fresh capital, he cannot think of any plan by which they could more effectually have stirred up a desire to claim the privilege of paying than by merely suggesting the introduction of Bengal capital.

Mr. Robertson said he had risen simply in accordance with the request of the directors, that any shareholder should put what questions suggested themselves to his mind; and the question he had asked was whether the directors had ascertained from Government that they would or would not, in the event of the existing shareholders paying Rs. 500 per share and starting a new Bank, continue the Government account with it. He considered that the entire question which the shareholders had to consider hinged upon that point. As he had already shewn the proposal for amalgamation would entail a demand of Rs 650 on the shareholders in respect of every share. Mr. Stewart had said it was chiefly out of consideration for shareholders at home, who had retired, and who were dependent for their incomes on the shares they held in this Bank, that he advocated the scheme for amalgamation; but where were the incomes of those shareholders to come from until they had paid up the Rs. 650 per share which would be demanded? He thought the first thing for the directors to ascertain was, whether, in the event of fresh capital being raised, the Government account would be continued to the Bank or not. If it would be, he thought most decidedly that it would be better for them to raise that capital, and to retain the good will and profits of the business to themselves.

Mr. A. J. Macdonald said there was one question which he would like to ask. Was there any division of opinion amongst the directors as to the amalgamation?

The Chairman said that if Mr. Macdonald had been present sooner he would have heard that the directors were unanimously in favour of amalgamating the two Banks.

Mr. Alex. Brown said a large shareholder had gone to him the other day, with very much the same idea as Mr. Robertson had put forward here now; and he (Mr. Brown) had told him that he thought it would be of very great advantage, in enabling them to come to a proper solution of the question, if he and a large body of the shareholders were to come forward and say that they believed fifty lakhs would be forthcoming. He had not been present in Bombay when the proposal was first mooted, but he under-stood that in the day of their extremity the Directors had gone to Government and consulted as to what should be done. Since the amalgamation was first proposed, Government had steadily lent their whole influence in favour of it; and not only in Bombay had this been so, but in Bengal also Now, of course, in supporting this proposal from the outset the Directors had acted on the belief—on the certainty—that fifty lakhs could not be raised in Bombay. It certainly could not be raised, at all events, among the present shareholders of the Bank of Bombay.

Mr. Robertson: But where are you to get the sixty-five lakhs?

Mr. Brown said that was just what he was coming to. It must be admitted that 65 lakhs was a larger sum than 50 lakhs; but if they could not raise 65 lakhs, surely 50 lakhs would not be forthcoming.

Mr. Macdonald said that argument told against the scheme for amalgamation.

Mr. Brown observed that it was to save Bombay from the disgrace which would come upon it by the Bank stopping payment, that this proposition had been put forward.

Mr. Macdonald suggested that the Directors ought to appeal candidly and straightforwardly to the shareholders and say that the only course—and it did seem to him the only course—was to raise a crore of rupees. If it was thought desirable, one half of that amount might be open to new subscribers, and the remaining fifty lakhs could be retained for the old shareholders. Indeed, he thought they did not want more than fifty lakhs for the purposes of trade. He even questioned whether they could use fifty lakhs properly. Great consideration should be shown, he thought, towards the shareholders at home. What would be the effect of this amalgamation? The good-will of the Bank would be given away altogether; and he thought this ought to be taken into account in dealing with the absent shareholders. From what he had himself heard, he had not the least doubt that fifty lakhs could be raised. He was certain many gentlemen would support him in this assertion; and he did not see why the shareholders should lay themselves at the feet of Calcutta.

Mr. Bomanjee Cursetjee Banthnicky supported Mr. Macdonald's views. He did so particularly out of consideration for the "poor widows and orphans" whose livelihood depended on this Bank.

Mr. Macdonald thought the directors should put a statement of facts before the shareholders and thus give them an opportunity of carefully considering the whole question. The shareholders should be put in possession of a separate statement in regard to the amalgamation, and of another statement in regard to the proposal to raise fresh capital which would be required. He was not aware that if that was done there could be little doubt that the shareholders would at once come to a conclusion in favour of reconstructing the Bank.

Mr. Stewart thought he might say that the proposal would be put before the shareholders in the form suggested by Mr. Macdonald, before anything could be done in the matter. In the meantime, however, it was the wish of the directors to arrange terms before laying definite proposals before the shareholders. He thought some of Mr. Macdonald's remarks might be answered by pointing out that Bengal would subscribe a certain amount of the money which was required at once, and that Bombay would have till the 31st December to pay its quota; and during that time the liquidation of the old Bank of Bombay would to a considerable extent enable the shareholders to provide the funds which it would be necessary for them to contribute. If, on the other hand, capital was to be raised here to form a new Bank of Bombay it would be necessary—in order to be working on a certainty—that the shareholders should at once contribute fifty or sixty lakhs. It was probable that they would all like to be able to raise that amount and to carry on the Bank, but he thought at the same time that the proposed scheme of amalgamation presented great advantages in the way of bringing capital from Bengal to our assistance, and of relieving the shareholders from the necessity of paying up at once what would be necessary for the reconstruction of the Bank, and that it presented a very desirable mode of getting rid of the results of the past business of the Bank, and at the same time of carrying on a new business with the aid afforded by the connection with Government.

Mr. Macdonald considered that public opinion was almost unanimously against the scheme for amalgamation—especially amongst native gentlemen. He thought the Directors should bring forward a report and suggest some scheme for reconstruction; and he had no doubt that if the public was asked to subscribe new capital to the extent of fifty lakhs of rupees, persons would be found willing to do it—and the remaining fifty lakhs of new capital could be allotted to the poor unfortunate shareholders of the present Bank, who would be supplied as the assets were realised with the means of taking it up. It seemed to him that that would be a much more fair and generous course towards the present shareholders than that which was now proposed, which was merely their throwing away the good-will of their business and bringing the Bank of Bengal to Bombay. If the amalgamation should be carried out, what would be the position of things in Bombay? The head Board would be at Calcutta and a local Board here, and it would be in the power of the directors in Calcutta to put a veto on every act of the Bombay Board. He, for one, protested against amalgamation.

Mr. Sorabjee Cowasjee agreed in thinking that sufficient capital could be raised in Bombay, and he considered that if fifty or sixty lakhs was a small amount to raise, considering the trade of Bombay, the capital could afterwards be increased.

Mr. Brown wished to point in regard to Mr. Macdonald's remark as to throwing away the good-will of the Bank, that the object of the proposed scheme was to prevent that good will from going away from them altogether. The present agreement with Government would run until 31st March next, and as long as the Bank had the Government business it was certain to retain its deposits and to be able to go on. But as the expiration of that agreement drew nigh, people might not have the same confidence in the Bank; and then very good-will might consequently be drawn away from it. But by introducing a stronger institution and taking up the business in the present stage, they would prevent such a result and would, in his opinion be taking the course which would be most advantageous to the shareholders of the present Bank. The proposal was to exchange shares in the present business for shares in another business, and did not involve the throwing away of the good-will of the Bank at all. The shareholders of the present Bank would simply become shareholders in a larger concern—that was all.

Mr. Robertson certainly did not agree in Mr. Macdonald's proposition that they should raise a crore of rupees and allow half of that amount to be subscribed by people who had no interest in the Bank of Bombay.

[Mr. Macdonald seemed to dissent from this version of what he had said.]

Mr. Robertson: That was what I understood.

Mr. Macdonald: No, no.

Mr. Robertson: And that the other half should be given to the shareholders.

Mr. Brown said Mr. Robertson's remark suggested what seemed to him to be just the difficulty with which they had to contend. Did they think that among the shareholders fifty lakhs of rupees even would be forthcoming? He did not think that was likely—looking in particular to the number of people at home, whose every sixpence was invested in the shares of the Bank of Bombay.

Mr. Robertson said it was in reference to such shareholders that he had been speaking.

Mr. Macdonald thought the difficulty could be got over by giving the present shareholders a preference as to the first allotment.

Mr. Eduljee Nusserwanjee thought the conclusion to which the directors had come—that new capital could not be raised in Bombay—was preconceived and unfounded. Only fifty lakhs was wanted. Why could the Bank not do in these days with fifty lakhs when at its commencement it did with that sum? and the business of the Bank was not so large now as to require the amount of capital which was necessary three years ago. Besides, the large amount of capital which they formerly had did not bring any profit to the Bank. Well, he thought fifty lakhs could be raised in this way: if shareholders were not in a position to subscribe out of their own pockets they could easily pledge their shares to other parties, who would very willingly advance the money upon each share on reasonable terms. Thus the present shareholders might secure the advantages of a reconstruction of the Bank with their own capital, and would reap all the advantages which that plan possessed over the Bengal one, could not possibly conceive any advantages which a scheme of amalgamation could have over one for reconstruction. If the Bank of Bengal had not been in existence, what would they have done? Would they not have liquidated the present Bank and formed a new one? It was surely against their civilized independent spirit to go into any subjection if it was possible for them by any means to help themselves. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Brown thought some of the remarks which had been made were based on the idea that the proposal for amalgamation was a pet scheme of the directors, but he considered that the people of Bombay should give the directors credit for the same independent spirit which the gentlemen who had spoken no doubt had. If they could have saved themselves without going to the Bank of Bengal, undoubtedly they would have done so. But here they had the means of saving the Bank from what seemed likely to be a disgraceful end; and the directors had thought that the scheme of amalgamation which was proposed was the best for the benefit not only of the Bank but also for the shareholders themselves. The object was to get the interest of the shareholders transferred to a good working Bank at a premium of 25 per cent; and he certainly did think it would be a very good bargain to buy a Bank of Bengal share at 25 per cent. It would, besides, be in the option of the shareholders to take up those new shares or not.

Mr. Macdonald could not see that any steps at all had been taken in connection with the starting of a new Bank. He was sorry to say it, but he thought the directors had failed in their duty in this respect. Why had not the directors, when they were in want of money, come forward frankly and told the shareholders that was the case? He did not think that the directors could absolve themselves for not having adopted such a course, but having on the contrary gone precipitately into a scheme for amalgamation.

Mr. Robertson wished to say that he was by no means opposed to amalgamation. He only wanted to find out what was for the best course for the shareholders, and he thought the shareholders would not be in a position to decide in the matter till they knew whether Government would continue their connection with the Bank or not if extra capital was raised. If Government should be willing to do this he thought it very doubtful whether an amalgamation of the two Banks would be the best plan to adopt. He was by no means opposing the scheme, however,—he only wanted information.

Mr. Brown said that if they went to Government as suggested, the first question asked of them would be —"Do you think you can raise fifty lakhs?" Now, the directors could not conscientiously say that they did think it would be possible to raise fifty lakhs of rupees.

Dr. Eduljee Nusserwanjee said the assets which could be realised within the next six months could be added to the capital which might be raised.

Mr. Sorabjee Cowasjee thought that if there was a probability of the Government connection with the Bank being continued it would be much less difficult to raise the capital which would be required. "Government connection" was a magic word with people in Bombay.

Colonel Marriott: It seems to me from the discussion which has taken place that there are two questions which get mixed up very naturally,—one, how what is for the benefit of the public, and the other as to what is for the benefit of the shareholders. The first question is rather of a theoretical nature, and the second is much more dependent upon facts. The second question—what is for the benefit of the shareholders—is the only one which for many reasons, it would be of any use to discuss at this small meeting; and it seems to me that Mr. Robertson's question had a very pertinent bearing upon it. The great thing is for the directors, before any final resolution is passed, to put as many facts as possible before the shareholders in relation to the question whether amalgamation or reconstruction is desirable. And a very important point is—what assistance would the shareholders get from Government if they were willing to do their best without calling in the aid of the Bank of Bengal. Nothing has been said to lead the meeting to suppose that Government have done their best to obtain information on this point. If they have not done so they have overlooked what is a very important element in this question from the shareholders' point of view.

The Chairman stated that the whole of the proceedings in connection with this matter had been before Government and that it was with the knowledge of Government that the project of amalgamation with the Bank of Bengal was proceeding.

Colonel Marriott said that was not an answer to the question. The question was, what assistance would Government be willing to render if the community was very desirous to reconstitute the Bank in its old form. To say that Government had assented to the schemes for an amalgamation was no answer to this question.

The Chairman said the shareholders had not yet expressed any wish to raise new capital in the manner now suggested, and that therefore the directors could not go before Government with a proposal of that kind.

Colonel Marriott said it would nevertheless be a material factto guide the shareholders in giving their vote for or against the amalgamation—whether, supposing it to be possible to reconstruct the Bank, Government would give the assistance it had hitherto given. He was not blaming the directors; he knew they had but one desire, which was to do the best they could (Mr. Brown—"Hear, hear"); but now that an unexpected amount of opinion had sprung up in favour of the Bank being reconstituted if possible, it seemed to him that the directors ought—if there was any means of doing it—to ascertain the utmost assistance that the Government would give in such a case. Whichever way the Government gave an answer, the fact would be a most important one in determining the votes of the shareholders.

Mr. Stewart said the directors had certainly not had any assurance from Government or been led to feel that they could calculate upon a continuance of the Government business under any circumstances. They could hardly have asked Government to give some assurance on this point, while the negotiations which had been commenced with a view to an amalgamation with the Bank of Bengal were still going on. He thought it would be better in the first place to put some definite proposal before the shareholders, as the result of these negotiations; and then if it was still considered that there were other courses open to them, which it would be more advantageous to follow, the directors would be only too happy to hear them proposed. He thought it would hardly be fair to ask Government to hold out further assurances of aid, after the Bank had been depending upon it for support during the last two or three years. They had reason to know that Government was tired of the constant applications for assistance which had been made by the Bank of Bombay, and there was a very strong feeling at present that the Government business should only be in the hands of a Bank which was safe from all danger. The proposals which had been made at this meeting would be laid before the Board, and if that the directors would be able to raise fifty lakhs of rupees in Bombay. It was supposed that that would be sufficient, and that that sum would secure the Government business. He had great doubts, however, on this point; and as far as he had been able to ascertain the feelings of the shareholders—from letters addressed to Mr. Stuart and in other ways—it seemed to him that there was a very great majority of the shareholders who were averse to sinking any more money in the Bank. Everybody seemed to agree that the old business of the Bank should go into liquidation and that any reconstruction should be of a kind which would entirely clear away all past transactions. Well, that in his opinion would require more than fifty lakhs of rupees, and the capital would have to be available at once, in order to establish the new institution in place of the present one, which would be in liquidation. There might be some schemes who would pay, and it so happened that it was such shareholders who attended these meetings, while those who would not be able to pay were silent. He thought the scheme which it was proposed to adopt was in accordance with the wishes of the majority. There could be no doubt, he thought, that the majority of the shareholders were not in a position to raise further money. But the amalgamation with the Bank of Bengal would have certain advantages to those who had no money to contribute, for if the arrangement came to a settlement the value of their shares would rise. The new shares might be taken up at a premium of 25 per cent—which did not appear very great when it was considered that the reserve which the new Bank would have would be more than 16 per cent. on the capital, a fact which would tend greatly to increase the value of the shares. There was no necessity, however, for coming to terms with the Bank of Bengal, but at the same time there was no reason why the consideration of a reconstruction of the Bank should not be deferred till it should be decided whether the amalgamation was to be carried out or not. He really did not see how it could have taken any better means of stirring up the Bombay people to come forward and pay the money which was required, than by suggesting the scheme of amalgamation. If there was any means by which that could be done it seemed to be by suggesting the introduction of capital from Bengal.

Dr. Eduljee Nusserwanjee said that whether the plan for amalgamation or the plan for reconstruction was adopted, money would be required from the shareholders. In the case of reconstruction it would be required directly; in the case of amalgamationit would be required within six months or a longer period.

Mr. Stewart said the shareholders would be enabled to take up the new shares by means of the assets of the present Bank—though some payment in cash would probably also be required.

Dr. Eduljee did not suppose that the directors expected the realisation of the assets would make up the whole amount necessary for taking up the shares in the amalgamated Bank. He thought indeed that the deficiency which it would be necessary to make up would be greater than what would be required in the case of reconstruction; and if shareholders could not pay anything towards reconstruction now, they would not be able to pay anything for Bengal shares six or nine months hence, while those who would be able to pay six or nine months hence in the event of amalgamation would be able to pay now towards reconstruction—for if they had not the money in their pockets they could borrow it, having the assurance that they would be able to refund it on the assets of the Bank being realised.

Mr. Brown pointed out that if the shareholders decided in favour of reconstruction they would hazard all on the getting of the fifty lakhs of rupees. If they did not get the fifty lakhs, it would be destruction to the Bank; but it would not be so in the case of the scheme for amalgamation being approved of. Those shareholders who chose would be able to take advantage of the latter scheme, nearly at par; and those who might choose to take advantage of it would not be in a position to take advantage of any benefits resulting from reconstruction.

Dr. Eduljee again urged that sufficient capital might be raised in Bombay.

Mr. Brown: Bombay need not pay up anything unless she likes.

Dr. Eduljee: That is the opinion of the directors only. The shareholders ought to be consulted on that point.

Mr. Brown: Of course they will be.

Dr. Eduljee: A general comprehensive statement should be laid before them, and their opinion taken as to which course they would prefer.

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FINANCIAL ASSOCIATION OF EUROPE AND INDIA.

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Mr. Cursondass Vullubdass occupied the chair. There were about forty shareholders present on the occasion.

The secretary having read the directors' report for the year ending 31st December last and the balance sheet,

It was proposed that the balance sheet and the report be approved and adopted.

Mr. Jehanghier Rustomjee Mody proposed as an amendment, which was seconded by Mr. R. M. King, "that inasmuch as the accounts and reports of the directors now laid before the meeting contain the accounts of the dealings in shares by the directors on behalf of the Company, which had been objected to in the last general meeting, they be not adopted by this meeting as binding upon the Company."

actually had a ploughshare made of silver, ploughed his field with it for some hours, and then broke it up and distributed the silver, amongst five or six cultivators. The people were profoundly impressed by the event, and affirmed that such a thing was never heard of before, even in their *shastras*.

There are several shooting parties out in the districts, but I have not heard of any good bags being made as yet. The officers of the Contingent generally have good sport every year; last year a party of them killed nineteen tigers, four panthers, ten bears, and six wolves, and no end of deer of sorts."—*Delhi Gazette.*

THE BANK OF MADRAS MEETING.

(*From the Madras Athenæum, April* 14.)

A SPECIAL general meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Madras was held on the premises of the Bank in Popham's Broad-way at noon yesterday, to consider a proposition, for an amalgamation of the Bank of Madras with the Banks of Bengal and Bombay, which had been made by the Directors of the Bank of Bengal.

The chair was occupied by the Hon'ble A. F. Brown, and the meeting was attended by about sixty of the leading merchants of the city, and other shareholders in the Bank.

Mr. J. McIver, Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank, opened the proceedings by reading the notice calling the meeting, after which—

The Chairman addressed the shareholders present. He said they were all aware that the object of the meeting was to discuss a proposal which had been made to the Directors of the Bank to amalgamate with the Banks of Bengal and Bombay. The proposal, in the first instance, had been made by the Secretary to the Bank of Bengal, in a paper drawn up by him embodying his scheme for the amalgamation of the three Presidency Banks. This paper had been addressed to the Directors of the Bank of Madras, and had been first read by them at a special meeting called for the purpose, when the Directors were of opinion that it was not desirable to agree to the proposal. But the question being one of the greatest importance, it was deemed advisable to consult the shareholders on the subject, and they had therefore obtained permission from the Directors of the Bank of Bengal to do so. He must tell them that the minute in question was at first submitted to the Directors of the Bank of Madras as a confidential communication. This paper had now been published and circulated among the shareholders, and they had met to-day to discuss the proposals contained in it. The scheme contained in Mr. Dickson's paper was a most independent measure so far as it related to the Bank of Madras. This Bank was not concerned in what was going on between Bengal and Bombay. He would read to them from the report the terms in which Mr. Dickson alluded to the Bank of Madras. Mr. Dickson said:—

"There remains, then, only the Bank of Madras to be dealt with. It is not necessary that any great pressure should be brought to bear upon them towards forming a junction with the United Bank. They might, however, have it in their option to do so on conditions of all but equality with the Bank of Bengal, seeing that the market value of their stock stands relatively to our own as 150 to 175. Provision has been made under their new charter to extend their capital from fifty-six lakhs to one crore. This being so, and in contemplation of their business being extended in to Ceylon, it is probable that the full amount permissible, will ere long be called up. Assuming such to be the case, and bearing in mind that the capital of the United Bank otherwise, is four crores, with a reserve of say sixty-five lakhs, the fair and rateable proportion which Madras ought to contribute to the reserve fund along with transfer of guaranteed assets, may fairly be taken at fifteen lakhs; thus bring up the total capital to five crores, and the reserve fund to eighty lakhs. A moment's reflection will show that this proposal is both equitable and reasonable. If the additional capital of forty-four lakhs is called up and divided among shareholders of the Bank of Madras on the same terms as those on which the Bank proposes to all the eighty lakhs to our own proprietors, then they realize eleven lakhs, which, added to their existing reserve of say five lakhs, gives them sixteen lakhs, or one lakh more than the rateable amount proposed to be contributed to the common reserve fund.

This, said the Chairman, was perhaps the most important part of the arrangement relating to the Bank of Madras. But Mr. Dickson did not show that if the additional capital of forty-four lacs were called up there would be any possibility of using it. It was pretty well known that the Bank of Madras had no idea of raising its capital at present. They were, however, now asked to raise this money to join the United Bank, and he thought that to raise it just for the purpose of becoming shareholders in the amalgamated Bank was not advisable. It was unnecessary, said the Chairman, for him to make any remarks upon the unsoundness and danger of so largely increasing the Bank's capital. The question of capital was certainly one of paramount importance. The present capital of the three Presidency Banks aggregated, the Chairman said, nearly four crores, and it was now proposed to increase the capital of the Bank of Bengal to Rs. 3,00,00,000, that the Bank of Bombay to 1,00,00,000, and the capital of the Bank of Madras to Rs. 1,20,00,000, which, with a premium of 25 per cent. would amount altogether to Rs. 6,25,00,000. Out of this capital Mr. Dickson took the present capital of the Bombay Bank. The day might come, the Chairman continued, when all this capital might be used, but it certainly had not come yet and he thought that the scheme which involved its use was unnecessary. On the present occasion it was the Bank of Bombay that was "the sick man," and the Bank of Bengal proposed to absorb it in consequence. He did not say that such was not the best plan which could be adopted, but these two Banks might mak what arrangements they chose for themselves, and he did not see why the Bank of Bengal should wish to absorb the Bank of Madras as well when it had given no signs of sickness. He believed it was supposed some time ago that the fact of Government having withdrawn the currency business from the Bank showed distrust in it, and the Chairman entered into explanations to show that so far from Government entertaining any distrust of the Bank the extensive financial business entrusted to it by Government, to the extent of some twenty-five lacs, against 15 lacs which they formerly had, exhibited the greatest confidence in their management. The Bank had Branches at Cochin, Calicut, Coconada, Bangalore, Bimlipatam, Bellary, and Ootacamund, and the deposits at these Branches amounted to about 15 lakhs of rupees, and the business carried on by them was calculated to increase the shareholders' dividends. The greatest care was taken by the Directors of the Bank and their agents in carrying on the business of the Branches, under the control of the Head Office, and instead of being a source of loss, as some of the native shareholders seemed to fear they would be, the Branches of the Bank were a source of considerable profit, and he thought that such of his native friends as had not at present much confidence in the remunerative character of some of these Branches might be reassured by this announcement of his. He observed that, in his report, Mr. Dickson said:—

"In too many Banks purely European, the wealthy natives and merchants have of late manifested unmistakeable distrust, and it is submitted with confidence, that in legislating for India, respect must be paid to their usages, habits and prejudices. They have never distrusted the Bank of Bengal. Its extension on a perfectly sound and wider basis, combined with a prolongation of the existing happy combination of official and mercantile experience in the Boards of Directors, will, it is submitted, tend materially to the progress of India."

But he did not think that wealthy natives or merchants had ever distrusted the Bank of Madras. The dividends paid by the Bank of Madras had during the past five years (averaged over 11 per cent., while the Bank of Bengal had not exceeded them so much, since they had paid he believed about 12½ per cent. He believed it was generally supposed if Madras refused to join in the proposed amalgamation, that at the end of the seven years for which the Government were bound to entrust the conduct of their financial business to the Bank, this business would be withdrawn. But he did not join in this belief. It was manifestly to the interest of Government to leave their financial transactions in hands in which they had hitherto been so satisfactorily conducted. Mr. Dickson had said that

"Local Boards would be continued as at present in Bombay and Madras, but the supreme control and the rules and regulations for the conduct of the business must rest in, and be laid down by the Board in Calcutta, i. e., that the same rules and conditions under which business is carried on here, must be strictly adhered to and be conformed to by Bombay and Madras; and that power to enforce their due obser vance be specially reserved."

No doubt there would be "Local Boards" in connection with the Head Office at Calcutta, but they would merely be subordinate to that office. At present all the Branches of the Bank of Madras were in a flourishing condition, mainly through the control exercised over them by the Head Office at Madras, but how could it be expected that the business of such outlying stations as Bellary and others could be conducted as efficiently as they are now under a management situated at Calcutta. Were the Madras Bank to join in the amalgamation, the shareholders would, of course, have a participation of the profits of the United Bank, but this also meant a participation of the risks, and he thought they would all agree with him that it more satisfactory that these risks should be incurred by persons who were, as he might say, under the immediate supervision of the local shareholders. Then again, the Bank of Madras had never experienced such fluctuations as had been known in Bombay and Bengal. Mr. Dickson urged that in the proposed United Bank

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But he did not hold with centralization in Banking. It was true that the Oriental Bank, which had its Head Office in London, and Branches all over the world, followed that system. But its plan was altogether different to that of the Bank of Madras. In conclusion, the Chairman said, "I think we can do our Banking in Madras very much better for ourselves, and I don't think the Government will take away their business so long as the Bank of Madras keeps up its present character. In my opinion we should not hesitate to decline the proposed amalgamation, and decide—to use a well-known expression—to "paddle our own canoe."

The Chairman then proposed the general resolution—

"That it is not advisable for the Banks of Madras and Bengal to amalgamate."

Mr. A. Cammiade, in a few brief remarks, in which he denied the substantial value of any sudden rise in Bank shares, and expressed his opinion that no immediate benefits were likely to accrue to shareholders of the Bank of Madras by the proposed amalgamation, seconded the motion of the Chairman, which upon being put to the meeting was carried without a single dissentient hand being raised.

With a vote of thanks to the Chairman, for his very able and exhaustive address, the meeting then separated.

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